

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

CANDIDATES MEMORANDUM-Denver Health and Hospital Authority

To	Denver City Council
From	Mayor's Office of Boards & Commissions
Date	06/08/2026

BOARD PURPOSE

The mission of the Authority is to provide access to quality preventative, acute, and chronic health care for all the residents of Denver regardless of ability to pay; provide high quality emergency medical services to Denver and the Rocky Mountain region; fulfill public health functions for citizens of the City and County of Denver as the Authority is able and consistent with the needs of the citizens of Denver; provide for the health education of patients and participate in the education of the next generation of health care professionals; and engage in research to the extent that it enhances the ability of the Authority to meet the health care needs of its patient. Board members serve five-year terms and direct Denver Health's activities, which include financial management; education and quality assurance; and personnel and compensation

APPOINTMENT CANDIDATE PROFILES

Term Dates: 07/01/2026 – 6/30/2031



Bruce Alexander

He/Him
Caucasian

Bio:

An advocate of individual development and team success in pursuit of organizational goals, Mr. Alexander draws on a diverse background that incorporates marketing, finance, strategic planning and personnel management skills. Those talents, combined with more than a quarter of a century of banking experience centered on the corporate, commercial real estate, construction and consumer sectors, make him one of the top chief executives in Colorado's financial services industry. Under his leadership, Vectra Bank grew from \$1 billion in assets to an impressive \$4 billion. His vision and strategic direction have been instrumental in navigating the bank through numerous economic cycles and challenges, including the September 11th attacks, the Great Recession of

Male

2008 and 2010, the COVID-19 pandemic, and the regional banking crisis of 2023.

Throughout his career, Mr. Alexander has been deeply involved in community service and economic development.

Statement of Support:

Bruce Alexander is our first choice to fill the vacant board seat previously occupied by Patricia (Pia) Dean (term limited exp 6/30/2026). He brings extensive experience in finance and investments, and a wealth of knowledge in both the public and private sectors. His expertise will be a tremendous asset to Denver Health, our patients and staff.

Candidate Answers to Additional Screener Questions:

Describe a previous personal or professional experience that demonstrates how you would approach your role on a Denver Board or Commission.

One experience that demonstrates how I would approach a role on a Denver Board or Commission is my leadership of Vectra Bank through multiple periods of economic uncertainty and change. During my tenure, the bank grew from \$1 billion to \$4 billion in assets while successfully navigating major challenges such as the aftermath of September 11th, the COVID-19 pandemic, and the regional banking crisis of 2023. These experiences required thoughtful decision-making, collaboration among diverse stakeholders, strategic long-term planning, and the ability to remain steady under pressure. I would bring that same approach to serving on the Denver Health and Authority Board by listening carefully to different perspectives, evaluating issues thoughtfully and objectively, and focusing on solutions that support both individual and community success. My background in finance, strategic planning, personnel management, and economic development has taught me the importance of balancing immediate concerns with long-term outcomes.

In addition, my prior service on the State of Colorado Nominating Commission for the State Supreme Court and Court of Appeals strengthened my commitment to public service, accountability, and fair decision-making. I would approach this role with a collaborative mindset and a strong dedication to serving the Denver community responsibly and effectively.

Describe what goals or actions of this Mayoral administration align with your personal priorities for the City.

Denver Mayor Mike Johnston's 2026 goals strongly align with my personal priorities for creating a city that is economically strong, safe, inclusive, and resilient. In particular, I support the administration's focus on affordable housing, reducing homelessness, strengthening public safety, revitalizing

downtown Denver, and expanding opportunities for youth and working families.
My professional background in banking, commercial real estate, and strategic planning has given me firsthand experience with the importance of sustainable economic growth and community investment.

Reappointment? No

Term Number: 1

For New Appointments:

Filling an Open Seat? Yes

Replacing an Expiring Seat:

- Patricia (Pia) Dean, 2nd term expires 6/30/2026

Appointment Process for Seat: Mayoral Appointment, Council Confirmation.